

# THE ASSAM GAZETTE

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# GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT::: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

### **NOTIFICATION**

The 14th November, 2024

**No. LGL.19/2024/10.**— The following Act of the Assam Legislative Assembly which received the assent of the Governor of Assam on 11th November, 2024 is hereby published for general information.

### **ASSAM ACT NO. XXXIV OF 2024**

(Received the assent of the Hon'ble Governor on 11th November, 2024)

THE ASSAM OFFICIAL LANGUAGE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2024

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### ACT

further to amend the Assam Official Language Act, 1960.

#### Preamble

Whereas, it is expedient further to amend the Assam Official Language Act, 1960, hereinafter referred to as the principal Act, in the manner hereinafter appearing;

Act No. XXXIII of 1960

It is hereby enacted in the Seventy-fifth Year of the Republic of India, as follows: -

### Short title, extent and commencement

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Assam Official Language (Amendment) Act, 2024.
  - (2) It shall have the like extent as the principal Act.
  - (3) It shall come into force on such date and in such areas as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint in this behalf.

# Insertion of new section 5B

- 2. In the principal Act, after section 5 A, the following new section 5B shall be inserted, namely:
  - "5B. Without prejudice to the provisions contained in section 3, Manipuri Language shall be used as Associate Official Language for all or any of the Official purposes of the State of Assam as are specified in the Schedule-II in the Districts and Sub- divisions having substantial Manipuri population as may be declared by the State Government from time to time."

# Substitution of SCHEDULE

Insertion of new SCHEDULE - II

- 3. In the principal Act, for the word "SCHEDULE" wherever it occurs the word, "SCHEDULE I" shall be substituted.
- 4. In the principal Act, after the existing SCHEDULE, the following new SCHEDULE II shall be inserted, namely:-

# "SCHEDULE - II (See section 5 B)

- (1) Manipuri language shall be used as an Associate Official Language in the four districts of the State namely, Cachar, Karimganj, Hailakandi and Hojai.
- (2) Entertaining applications in Manipuri presented by members of the public.
- (3) Receiving documents in Manipuri presented for registration with English copy as long as the use thereof is permissible for the official purposes of the Union under any law made by the Parliament in this behalf and thereafter Hindi in place of English or Assamese copy thereof.
- (4) Publication of:-
  - (i) all acts passed by the State Legislature in Manipuri;
  - (ii) all Orders, Regulations, Rules and Bye-laws issued by the state Government under the constitution of India or any law made by parliament or the Legislature of the State in Manipuri.
- (5) Publication of Government advertisements in Manipuri."

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